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VA announces funding opportunities to help Veterans experiencing homelessness

WASHINGTON — This week, as a part of ongoing efforts to end Veteran homelessness, the Department of Veterans Affairs published three grant opportunities for Fiscal Year 2024 that will help Veterans who are experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

The first grant opportunity is for VA's <u>Supportive Services for Veteran Families program</u>, which provides supportive services to rapidly rehouse Veterans and their families, prevent the imminent loss of a Veteran's home, or identify new, more suitable housing situations for Veterans and their families. VA anticipates awarding funding to eligible organizations located in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, Guam and Virgin Islands.

The two other grant opportunities are for VA's <u>Grant and Per Diem program</u>, which provides Veterans-in-need with transitional housing beds and case management —connecting them to VA benefits, community-based services and permanent housing. VA anticipates awarding nearly 390 total grants through this program, which will provide beds for approximately 11,000 Veterans nationwide.

"These grants will provide critical resources to help Veterans and their families climb out of homelessness or prevent them from falling into homelessness in the first place," said **VA Secretary Denis McDonough.** "Every Veteran deserves a good, stable, safe home in this country they fought to defend — and these grants are a key part of making that goal a reality."

More information about each of these opportunities is below:

Supportive Services for Veteran Families Grants: The first grant opportunity is through VA's <u>SSVF program</u> and will support both new and renewal grant awards to community-based nonprofit agencies and consumer collaboratives. The grant money will fund operations for fiscal year 2024, beginning Oct. 1, 2023. In addition to providing services to prevent Veterans from becoming homeless or to rapidly rehouse Veterans who are currently homeless, these funds also <u>provide additional authorities and flexibilities</u> to assist Veterans in remaining in and obtaining permanent housing.

SSVF grant applications must be received by the SSVF Program Office by 4 p.m. ET, Feb. 10, 2023. View the SSVF Notice of Funding availability, learn more about SSVF or email SSVF@va.gov.

Grant and Per Diem Grants: The second and third grant opportunities are available through VA's Homeless Providers Grant and Per Diem program and will support two kinds of grants for FY24: 1) Per Diem Only grants will fund transitional supportive housing beds or service centers, and 2) Transition in Place grants will provide Veterans with apartment-style housing that allows Veterans to remain in their homes when they complete the GPD program. VA anticipates awarding 350 Per Diem Only grants to support approximately 10,500 transitional housing beds and 15 service centers nationwide. The department also anticipates awarding approximately 40 Transition in Place grants to support 600 TIP beds nationwide.

PDO grant applications must be received by 4 p.m., ET, Feb. 6, 2023, and TIP grant applications must be received by the GPD program office by 4 p.m., ET, Jan. 30, 2023. View the GPD PDO Notice of Funding Opportunity, the GPD TIP Notice of Funding Opportunity, learn more about GPD or email GPDGrants@va.gov.

In this calendar year, VA has already placed nearly 31,000 homeless Veterans into permanent housing — putting VA on track to meet and even exceed its goal of 38,000 permanent housing placements for homeless Veterans in 2022.